Central Intelligence Agency



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MEMORANDUM FOR: The President

The Vice President Secretary of State Secretary of Defense

Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT:

Libya-US: Repercussions of the President's

Special Measures

The attached analysis assesses Libya's potential reactions to the measures the President announced last night. While it suggests that there are obviously risks, it states that in the military arena there is a greater risk of air clashes in the Gulf of Sidra than of attacks on US ships, but notes that Qadhafi is still very concerned about the possibility of a US military strike. On the economic side, it notes that the economic sanctions will have some real short-term effect but no significant long-term impact without support from the Europeans.

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Director of Central Intelligence

Attachment: Directorate of Intelligence Memorandum, dtd 7 January 1986, Same Subject as Above

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